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## Section A: What were you doing on 26 November 2012?

**I would like to start by asking a few questions about what you were doing on 26 November 2012.**

ASK ALL

**Q1 On 26 November 2012 were you...?**

*If you were on maternity or paternity leave but were still on the payroll of your employer please count this as both employed and doing something else*

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

Employed, either full-time or part-time (including self-employed, freelance, voluntary work or other unpaid work)	1	NB: DO NOT ALLOW BOTH CODE 1 AND 2 TO BE SELECTED
Unemployed and looking for work	2	
Engaged in study, training or registered as a research student	3	
Developing a professional portfolio or creative practice with a view to starting a business / becoming freelance	4	
Doing something else (e.g. retired, travelling, maternity leave). Please type in below	5	

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ASK IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE SELECTED AT Q1  
 IF JUST ONE RESPONSE SELECTED AT Q1 AUTOMATICALLY CODE THIS TO Q2 AND GO TO ROUTING BEFORE Q3

**Q2 Which one of these do you regard as your MAIN activity?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Employed, whether full-time or part-time (including self-employed, freelance, voluntary work or other unpaid work)	1	SCRIPT TO SHOW OPTIONS SELECTED AT Q1
Unemployed and looking for work	2	
Engaged in study, training or registered as a research student	3	
Developing a professional portfolio or creative practice with a view to starting a business / becoming freelance	4	
[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: OTHER ACTIVITY FROM Q1/5]	5	

IF EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 (Q1=1): ASK SECTION B

## Section B: Your employment on 26 November 2012

ASK ALL EMPLOYED (Q1=1)

- Q3 **Were you working in more than one job or occupation on 26 November 2012? Please include all work, including any work which was part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or unpaid.**

Yes	1	GO TO Q4
No	2	GO TO Q5

ASK ALL WITH MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1)

- Q4 **How many jobs did you have on 26 November 2012? Please include all work, including any work which was part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or unpaid.**

PLEASE TYPE IN YOUR ANSWER BELOW

[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ALL WITH MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1) **The next few questions are about the job you regarded as your MAIN job on 26 November 2012.**]

[TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ALL WITH ONE JOB (Q3=2) **The next few questions are about the job you had on 26 November 2012.**]

- Q5 **When did you start the job you had on 26 November 2012?**

**Month**

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't remember	13

**Year**

Before 2008	1
2008	2
2009	3
2010	4
2011	5
2012	6
Can't remember	7

Q6 ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 (Q1=1)  
**And were you...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Employed full-time	1
Employed part-time	2
Self-employed or freelance	3
Doing voluntary work / other unpaid work (including internships)	4

Q7 ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 26 November 2012 (Q1=1)  
**What is the name of the organisation you were working for [TEXT SUB IF SELF EMPLOYED / FREELANCE Q6=3: or running] on 26 November 2012?**

If you were working through an employment agency, please tell us the name of the placement organisation, NOT the agency name

PLEASE TYPE IN BELOW

Q8 **What does [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7] mainly do?**

*PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWER IN BELOW*

*PLEASE PROVIDE AS MUCH DETAILS AS POSSIBLE*

*FOR EXAMPLE RATHER THAN 'FINANCE', PLEASE SPECIFY 'LIFE INSURANCE'*

Q9 **Where was your place of work?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

England	1	Go to Q10
Scotland	2	Go to Q10
Wales	3	Go to Q10
Northern Ireland	4	Go to Q10
Outside the United Kingdom (please type in country below)	5	Go to Q11



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IF PLACE OF WORK BASED IN UK (Q9/1-4)

 Q10 **Whereabouts in the UK did you work?**

*Please type in the town, city or area where your place of work was based, and the first part of your place work's postcode?*

**Town / City / Area**


**1<sup>st</sup> part of post-code** (e.g. for Camberwell, type in SE5; for Eastleigh, type in SO50, etc.)

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Can't remember ...    X

ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 26 November 2012 (Q1=1)

 Q11 **What was your job title?**

PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWER BELOW

Q11a **And please could you briefly describe your main duties or responsibilities?**

PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWER BELOW

*PLEASE PROVIDE AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE OUTLINING YOUR MAIN DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES AS APPROPRIATE*

- Q12 **Which of the following best describes the basis on which you were employed by [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7] on 26 November 2012?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

On a permanent or open-ended contract	1
On a fixed-term contract lasting 12 months or longer	2
On a fixed-term contract lasting less than 12 months	3
Self-employed/freelance	4
Setting up or managing your own business	5
Temporarily, through an agency	6
Temporarily, other than through an agency	7
Employed on another basis	8
Don't know	x

- Q13 **APPROXIMATELY how many people work in the entire organisation (including all branches, departments, etc.)?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

1 to 49	1
50 to 249	2
250 or more	3
Don't know	4

- Q14 **ASK ALL EXCEPT THOSE WHO WERE DOING VOLUNTARY/UNPAID WORK (Q6=1-3) [TEXT SUBSTITUTION ALL EXCEPT THOSE SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=1-2 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)): What was your approximate gross pay, before tax? / IF SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=3 OR Q12=4-5): Please indicate the amount of money that you paid yourself out of the business.] If you cannot give this as an annual amount, please give this as a monthly, weekly or hourly rate. Please also indicate if you have given a salary in pounds sterling (£) or in some other currency.**

PLEASE JUST STATE BASIC PAY; DO NOT INCLUDE ANY BONUSES OR BENEFITS IN KIND  
DP: ALLOW BLANKS FOR THOSE UNWILLING TO ANSWER

**Salary**

**Currency**

Pounds sterling	1
Other (please type in)	2

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**Period**

Annually	1
Monthly	2
Weekly	3
Hourly	4
Other (please type in)	5

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- ASK ALL PAID HOURLY (Q14 PERIOD=4)  
 Q15 **Typically, how many hours a week were you paid to work in that job?**

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CATI CHECK: IF HOURS  $\geq$  40

**Can I just check that you worked [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: NUMBER OF HOURS AT Q15] hours per week in this job on average?**

<b>Yes</b>	1
<b>No - IF NO, GO BACK TO ASK Q15 AGAIN</b>	2

- ASK ALL EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER (Q1=1)  
 Q16 **As far as you are aware, how important were the following factors to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7] when you gained this employment?**

PLEASE TICK THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE FOR EACH FACTOR

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know
<b>The subject you studied</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>The type of qualification you obtained in 2008/2009 (e.g. BA, MSc, PhD, etc)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>The class or grade of the qualification you obtained</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Evidence of skills and competencies</b>	1	2	3	4	5

- Q17 **And how important were the following factors?**

PLEASE TICK THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE FOR EACH FACTOR

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know	Did not obtain any further qualifications
<b>Any qualifications that you might have obtained after the one you got in 2008/2009</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

	Formal requirement	Important	Not very important but helped	Not important	Don't know	Did not have any previous (relevant) work experience
<b>Relevant work experience from previous employment</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

- Q18 [TEXT SUBSTITUTION ALL EXCEPT THOSE SELF EMPLOYED OR FREELANCE (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)): **Why did you decide to take the job at** [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: ORGANISATION NAME AT Q7]?] [IF SELF EMPLOYED (Q6=3 AND (Q12=1-3 OR Q12=6-8 OR X)) OR (Q12=4): **Why did you decide to become self-employed?**] [IF SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q12=5) **Why did you decide to set up or manage your own business?**]

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

It fitted into my career plan / it was exactly the type of work I wanted	1
ASK TO ALL EXCEPT SELF-EMPLOYED / FREELANCE OR SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)) It was the best job offer I received / only job offer I received	2
ASK TO ALL EXCEPT SELF-EMPLOYED / FREELANCE OR SETTING UP OWN BUSINESS (Q6=1-2 OR 4 AND (Q12=1-3 OR 6-8 OR X)) It was an opportunity to progress in the organisation	3
To gain experience in order to get the type of job I really want	4
To see if I would like the type of work it involved	5
To broaden my experience / to develop general skills	6
In order to pay off debts	7
In order to earn a living	8
Other	9
Don't know / can't remember	X

- Q19 **How did you first find out about this job?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Own institution's career service / website	1
Other careers service/or its website	2
Employer's website	3
Newspaper/magazine advertisement/or its website	4
High street recruitment agency	5
Online / web-based recruitment agency	6
Already/previously worked for the organisation	7
Professional, work or educational contacts or networks	8
Personal contacts, including family, friends and social networks	9
Speculative approach to employer	10
Other	11
Don't know / can't remember	X
IF SELF EMPLOYED OR OWN BUSINESS (Q12/4 OR 8): Not applicable	12

ON1 DELETED

ON2 DELETED

ASK IF HAVE MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3=1) OR IF DEVELOPING A BUSINESS OR PORTFOLIO ALONGSIDE WORK (Q1=1 AND 4)

Q20 **You said earlier that you [TEXT SUB IF MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3/1) had more than one job on 26 Nov / TEXT SUB IF DEVELOPING BUSINESS OR PORTFOLIO ALONGSIDE WORK (Q1=1 AND 4) were developing a business or portfolio alongside work on 26 Nov). What are the reasons for you undertaking more than one work role or work-related activity? To what extent is it because....**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FROM EACH ROW

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Not relevant	Don't Know
I am unable to secure any full-time position	1	2	3	X	X
Combining two or more jobs is the only way to get full-time equivalent work in my preferred type of employment	1	2	3	X	X
One of my work roles or activities is allowing me to develop the skills and/or contacts necessary to move into the type of work I really want	1	2	3	X	X
It is my choice to do different jobs – I like the variety	1	2	3	X	X
My preferred work is on a freelance basis so I need other paid work as well	1	2	3	X	X
It gives me time to maintain a balance between work and my personal or family commitments	1	2	3	X	X
To supplement my income	1	2	3	X	X

Q20A QUESTION DELETED



IF ENGAGED IN STUDY OR TRAINING ON 26 November 2012 (Q1=3), ASK SECTION C

## Section C: Your study, training or research on 26 November 2012

We're now going to ask a few questions about the study, training or research you were engaged in on 26 November 2012.

Please only consider what you were doing on 26 November 2012 and NOT any study, training or research you were engaged in previously, such as your higher education course that you finished in 2008/09.

Q21 **When did you start the course of study, training or research you were engaged in on 26 November 2012?**

### Month

January	1
February	2
March	3
April	4
May	5
June	6
July	7
August	8
September	9
October	10
November	11
December	12
Can't remember	X

### Year

Before 2008	1
2008	2
2009	3
2010	4
2011	5
2012	6
Can't remember	X

Q22 **Were you studying full-time or part-time?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Full-time	1
Part-time	2

Q23 **What is the name of the institution or organisation at which you were registered?**

PLEASE TYPE IN YOUR ANSWER BELOW

Q24 **What type of organisation was this? Was it a...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

University or Higher Education Institution	1
College of Further Education	2
Private training company	3
Other (type in below)	4

PLEASE TYPE IN TYPE OF ORGANISATION

Q25 **Which of the following best describes the type of qualification you were aiming for?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Higher degree mainly by research (PhD, DPhil, MPhil)	1
Higher degree, mainly by taught course (MA, MSc)	2
Postgraduate diploma or certificate (incl. PGCE)	3
First degree (BA, BSc, MEng)	4
Professional qualification (e.g. Chartered Accountancy, Chartered Institute of Marketing)	5
Other diploma or certificate	6
Other qualification (please type in below)	7

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Not aiming for a qualification	8
Don't know	x

Q26 **What subject area were you studying, training or researching?**

PLEASE TYPE IN YOUR ANSWER BELOW IN DETAIL E.G. IF HISTORY PLEASE TELL US WHICH PERIOD / COUNTRY / TOPIC

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Q27 QUESTION DELETED

Q28 **Which ONE of these do you consider to be your MAIN source of funding for this course of study, training or research?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Grant/Award (e.g. Research Council Studentship/Bursary)	1
My employer provided financial support	2
Self-funded e.g. savings/loan/income	3
Other funding	4
Don't know	x

IF WORKING AND STUDYING ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 (Q1=1&3)  
 Q29 **Did your employer provide you with any of the following in order to help you with the course of study, training or research that you were pursuing on 26 November 2012?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

Paid study leave	1
Training related to my course	2
Mentoring	3
Provision of materials to help with study	4
More flexible or reduced working hours to accommodate study	5
Other (Please type in below)	6

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None of the above	7
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IF ENGAGED IN STUDY OR TRAINING ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 (Q1=3)  
Q30 **Why did you decide to undertake the further study, training or research?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

Because it was a requirement of my employment on 26 November 2012 that I did	1
To develop a broader or more specialist range of skills or knowledge	2
To change or improve my career options	3
Because I was interested in the content of the course	4
Because I had enjoyed my first course and wanted to continue studying	5
I wanted to go on being a student/I wanted to postpone job hunting	6
I had been unable to find a suitable job	7
Other	8
Don't know	x

## Section D: What else have you been doing since finishing your course in 2008/09?

ASK ALL

**I'd now like to find out a bit more about what you have been doing since completing your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification from sample] at [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: HEI from sample] in 2008/09.**

- Q31 ASK IF EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 AND IN ONE JOB (Q3/2)  
**Apart from the job that you have already told us about, have you had any other jobs between graduating and 26 November 2012?**

*If you have changed jobs within an organisation, or were promoted, please count these as SEPARATE jobs.*

ASK IF EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER 2012 AND IN MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q3/1)  
**You've already told us that you had [INSERT NUMBER OF JOBS FROM Q4] on 26 November 2012. Apart from these have you had any other jobs between graduating and 26 November 2012?**

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED 26 NOVEMBER 2012 (Q1 NOT 1)  
**Have you had any jobs between graduating and 26 November 2012?**

**Please include any part-time, self-employed, freelance, voluntary or other unpaid work that you have had.**

*If you have undertaken consecutive periods of employment through one or more temping agencies please count this as ONE job*

Yes	1	ASK Q32
No	2	GO TO Q33
Don't know	3	

- Q32 ASK ALL WHO HAVE HAD ANY JOBS SINCE GRADUATING (Q31=1)  
**How many other jobs have you had between graduating and 26 November 2012?**  
*If you have changed jobs within an organisation, or were promoted, please count these as SEPARATE jobs.*

*If you have undertaken consecutive periods of employment through one or more temping agencies please count this as ONE job*

PLEASE TYPE IN

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ASK ALL

Q33 **Have you ever been unemployed and seeking work for a period lasting one month or more since you graduated in 2008/09?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Yes	1	ASK Q34
No	2	GO TO Q36
Don't know	3	

ASK IF HAVE BEEN UNEMPLOYED (Q33/1)

Q34 **How many separate periods of unemployment lasting one month or more have you had?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

One	1
Two	2
Three	3
Four	4
Five	5
More than five (Please write in the number of periods)	6

ASK IF MORE THAN ONE PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT (Q34/2-6)

Q35 **How many months would you say these periods of unemployment add up to?**

PLEASE TYPE IN BELOW

ASK ALL

- Q36 **Did you obtain any qualifications between the time you completed your course at [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: HEI from sample] in the academic year 2008/09 and 26 November 2012?**

[TEXT SUB: IF Q1/3) **Please exclude any qualifications gained from any of the courses that you have already told us about.**]

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Yes	1	Go to Q37
No	2	Go to NEXT SECTION

IF OBTAINED FURTHER QUALIFICATIONS (Q36/1)

- Q37 **How many other separate qualifications did you obtain?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

One	1
Two	2
Three	3
More than three (please type in how many qualifications you obtained below)	4



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- Q38 **What was the highest level of qualification you obtained between graduating from your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: course from sample] course in the academic year 2008/09 and 26 November 2012?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Higher degree mainly by research (PhD, DPhil, MPhil)	1
Higher degree, mainly by taught course (MA, MSc)	2
Postgraduate diploma or certificate (incl. PGCE)	3
First degree (BA, BSc, MEng)	4
Professional qualification (e.g. Chartered Accountancy, Chartered Institute of Marketing)	5
Other diploma or certificate	6
Other qualification (please type in below)	7



Not aiming for a qualification	8
Don't know	x

**Q39 And what was the subject area of qualification?**

Please type in your answer below in detail, for example, if history, please tell us which period/country/topic.

**Q40 And how did you MAINLY fund your studies for this qualification? Was it by...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Grant/award (e.g. Research Council Studentship / Bursary)	1
Employer provided financial support	2
Self-funded e.g. Savings / loan / income	3
Other funding	4
Don't know	X



ASK ALL

## Section E – Satisfaction

**Thank you for describing what you have been doing since completing your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification obtained from sample] course. Thinking back to that course....**

- Q41 If you were now to choose whether or not to do the course leading to your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification obtained from sample] qualification, how likely or unlikely is it that you would...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH ROW

	Very likely	Likely	Not very Likely	Not likely at all	Don't Know
Do a different subject?	1	2	3	4	5
Study at a different institution?	1	2	3	4	5
Work towards a different type of qualification	1	2	3	4	5
Decide to do something completely different?	1	2	3	4	5

- Q42 Given what you have told us so far, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your career to date?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Very satisfied	1
Fairly satisfied	2
Not very satisfied	3
Not at all satisfied	4
Don't know	5
Not applicable	6

- Q43 Thinking about your overall experience of the course you completed in 2008/09, to what extent do you agree or disagree that the course was good value for money?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Neither agree nor disagree	3
Disagree	4
Strongly disagree	5
Don't know	6

Q44A **How well did your higher education experience prepare you for or help you progress your career aspirations?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

<b>Very well</b>	1
<b>Quite well</b>	2
<b>Not very well</b>	3
<b>Not at all</b>	4
Don't know	5

Q44B **And overall, how well did your higher education experience prepare you for being self employed or setting up your own business?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

<b>Very well</b>	1
<b>Quite well</b>	2
<b>Not very well</b>	3
<b>Not at all</b>	4
Don't know	5
Have never considered becoming self employed / setting up own business	6

## Section F – Research Degree

- ASK ALL WHO COMPLETED RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN 2008/09 (from sample)
- Q45 **Thinking about the research degree you took in 2008/09, what was the main reason you decided to undertake it?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

- Q46 **And why else did you decide to undertake it?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY ONLY

	Main reason	Other reasons
I was interested in the subject	1	1
I was interested in research	2	2
I wanted to go on being a student/I wanted to postpone job hunting	3	3
I was awarded a funded studentship	4	4
I was encouraged or required to do so by my employer at the time	5	5
I was encouraged to do so by previous tutors/lecturers.	6	6
I wanted an academic career.	7	7
I thought it would improve my career prospects more broadly.	8	8
It was essential to get into the area of employment I want(ed) to work in.	9	9
Other (Please type in below)	10	10



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- Q47 **Did you receive any funding towards these research studies in terms of fees or maintenance, or were you self-funded?**

**Please include any accommodation costs under maintenance.**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Received funding towards fees	1
Received funding towards maintenance	2
Received funding towards both fees and maintenance	3
No funding / Self-funding	4

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR FEES (Q47=1 OR 3)  
**Q48 Firstly, could you tell me the main source of funding for your fees?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR FEES (Q47=1 OR 3)  
**Q49 From which other sources did you receive funding for your fees?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

	Main source	Other sources
A) The institution where I studied		
B) Research Councils:		
Arts & Humanities Research Council (AHRC)		
Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)		
Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)		
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)		
Medical Research Council (MRC)		
Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)		
Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)		
C) UK Educational / Scientific charity (including The Wellcome Trust, Cancer Research UK, British Heart Foundation or Other UK Educational / Scientific charity):		
D) Other competitively-awarded scholarship or award (Please specify)		
E) EU / EC funded		
G) Support from my employer or an industry body		
F) Other (Please type in below)		
G) No other sources of funding		

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR MAINTENANCE (Q47=2 OR 3)  
 Q50 **What was the main source of funding for your maintenance?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

ASK ALL IN RECEIPT OF FUNDING FOR MAINTENANCE (Q47=2 OR 3)  
 Q51 **From which other sources did you receive funding for your maintenance?**

PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

	Main source (Please select one option only)	Other sources (Please select all that apply)
A) The institution where I studied		
B) Research Councils:		
Arts & Humanities Research Council (AHRC)		
Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)		
Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)		
Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)		
Medical Research Council (MRC)		
Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)		
Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)		
C) UK Educational / Scientific charity (including The Wellcome Trust, Cancer Research UK, British Heart Foundation or Other UK Educational / Scientific charity):		
D) Other competitively-awarded scholarship or award (Please specify)		
E) EU / EC funded		
G) Support from my employer or an industry body		
F) Other (Please type in below)		
G) No other sources of funding		

**Q52 To what extent did your research topic require....?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH ROW

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Don't know
Working on your own	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others in the same broad discipline or subject area as yours (e.g. chemistry, management)	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others in different disciplines	1	2	3	4
Development of knowledge and skills that cross other disciplines or subject areas as well as your own	1	2	3	4
Collaborating with others outside the higher education research community	1	2	3	4
Work placement(s) or internship(s)	1	2	3	4
Periods of international mobility, i.e. working or studying in non-UK research team(s)	1	2	3	4

IF EMPLOYED ON 26 NOVEMBER (Q1/1)

**Q53 In the job that you were doing on 26 November 2012, how often do you / did you...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH ROW

	Most of the time	Some of the time	Occasionally	Not at all	Don't know
A) Conduct research	1	2	3	4	5
B) Interpret or critically evaluate research findings	1	2	3	4	5
C) Draw on the detailed knowledge on which your research degree was based	1	2	3	4	5
D) Use your general disciplinary knowledge	1	2	3	4	5
E) Use the research skills you developed as a research student	1	2	3	4	5
F) Use the generic skills you developed as a research student	1	2	3	4	5
G) Work autonomously	1	2	3	4	5
H) Work as part of a team	1	2	3	4	5
I) Work under close supervision	1	2	3	4	5
J) Have responsibility for supervising the work of others	1	2	3	4	5

ASK ALL RESEARCH DEGREE FROM SAMPLE  
 Q54 **To what extent has your PhD / Research degree experience enabled you to...?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH ROW

	A great extent	Some extent	Not at all	Don't know	Have not worked since finishing course
Be innovative in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Make a difference in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Change organisational culture and/or working practices	1	2	3	4	5
Influence the work of others in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Access immediate or short-term job opportunities in your chosen career	1	2	3	4	5
Enhance your credibility or standing in the workplace	1	2	3	4	5
Progress towards your long term career aspirations	1	2	3	4	
Enhance your social and intellectual capabilities beyond employment	1	2	3	4	
Enhance the quality of your life generally	1	2	3	4	
Other impact (Please specify)	1	2	3	4	5

Q55 **The Research Councils may like to contact you for further research purposes, the results of which are used to inform policy development and will be published to help inform individuals' career decisions. Would you be happy for us to pass on your responses and contact details in order for this to happen?**

Yes - willing for RCUK to contact	1	
No - not willing	2	

## Section G – Contact information

ASK ALL

- Q56 **Are you willing for IFF Research to pass on your contact details to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: name of HEI from sample], if they are different from the ones we already hold for you, so that they can update their records?**

**These contact details may be used by your institution to undertake further research or to contact you with information or news about the institution in the future.**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY.

Yes - willing for contact details to be passed on	1
No - not willing	2

- Q57 **Would you be happy for us to pass the information you have given us on to your university/college along with your name? Your university/ college may like to contact you in connection with this information. Would you be prepared for this to happen?**

PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Yes - willing for information to be passed on	1
Yes – willing for information to be passed on and to be contacted in connection with it by university/college	2
No – not willing for information to be passed on	3

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- Q57A **Did you participate at any point in Futuretrack? If so, will you give permission for the answers you have provided to this survey to be linked to the information you provided to Futuretrack and for the combined anonymised data to be used for analysis by both the Futuretrack project and users of the data from this survey?**

**A number of your fellow students will have been part of the Futuretrack study which is carried out across four stages and tracks students up until getting their first job. It is a large scale survey which tracks over 50,000 students who filled in their UCAS application in 2005/06.**

Yes - willing answers to be linked and for data to be used for analysis by the Futuretrack projects and users of data from this survey?	1
No - not willing	2

ASK ALL

- Q58 **Are you interested in viewing the results of this research? If so, we can email you an individual login and password which will allow you to view these. Would you like us to do this?**

Yes	1
No	2



- Q59 IF WILLING FOR ANY REASON (Q55/1 OR Q56/1 OR Q57/2 OR Q58/1)  
**You have said you are willing to be recontacted. You will only be recontacted for the purposes you have given permission for. Can we just check whether the contact details we have for you are correct?**

**Your name:** DISPLAY CONTACT NAME. **Is that correct?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct name)	2

IF HAVE POSTAL ADDRESS (FROM SAMPLE)

**Your address:** DISPLAY CONTACT ADDRESS. **Is that correct?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct address)	2

IF NO POSTAL ADDRESS

**What is your postal address?**

RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 1
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 2
RECORD CORRECT ADDRESS LINE 3
RECORD POSTCODE

ASK ALL

**Is this the best number by which to contact you?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct number)	2

IF HAVE EMAIL (FROM SAMPLE)

**Your email address:** DISPLAY CONTACT ADDRESS. **Is that correct?**

Yes – correct	1
No – incorrect (Please type in correct email address)	2

IF NO EMAIL ADDRESS

**What is your email address?**

WRITE IN EMAIL ADDRESS

- Q60 TELEPHONE INTERVIEW ONLY  
**Before this phone call, can you tell me whether you had heard about this survey from any other sources and if so, where?**

E-mailed an online version	1
Received postal questionnaire	2
Received text message	3
University website	4
University other source (SPECIFY)	5
Newspaper article (SPECIFY)	6
Internet article (SPECIFY)	7
Professional organisation (SPECIFY)	8
Fellow alumni	9
Any other source (SPECIFY)	10
Don't know	11
No – have not heard about this survey before	12

- Q61 ASK ALL  
**Finally, do you have any further comments? Is there anything else you have done since completing your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION: qualification obtained from sample] course in 2008/09 that you would like to tell us about?**

*THANK RESPONDENT AND CLOSE INTERVIEW*

I declare that this survey has been carried out under IFF instructions and within the rules of the MRS Code of Conduct.		
Interviewer signature:	Date:	
Finish time:	Interview Length	mins